

**Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians  
Elder's Commission  
Work Session Meeting,  
November 15, 2017**

Meeting called at 5:15 p.m. by Richard Wemigwase, Chairman;

Roll Call Commission: Richard Wemigwase, Chairman; Lisa Flynn, Vice-Chairman; Debra Smithkey-Browne, Secretary; JoAnn Carey, Commissioner.

Absent: Janice Shackleford, Treasurer;

Elder Department Staff: None

Guest: No guests present

Discussion was held on the MIEA:

- MIEA meeting will be held on April 9-11, 2018;
- LTBB is hosting the Conference;
- Reserve the Odawa Casino Ovation Hall, cost \$500.00;
- Reserve the Odawa Hotel, cost \$250.00;
  - With only meeting for 1 ½ hours, go with the Hotel for a lesser rate;
- Food Costs: Casino
  - Delegate Dinner – approx. 50 people –
    - Choice of two different dinners;
      - Choice #1 - \$18.95 per person for a cost of \$1,118.05
      - Choice #2 - \$16.95 per person for a cost of \$1,000.05
  - Breakfast – Tuesday and Wednesday
    - Choice of two different Menu's:
      - Choice #1 - \$10.95 for a cost of \$3,230.25
      - Choice #2 - \$12.95 for a cost of \$3,830.25
  - Dinner for all – approx. 250 people –
    - Did not see a menu or pricing for this dinner;
  - Those people that stay at the Hotel will have option of the continental breakfast – so that would save buying breakfast;
  - Possible with so many attendees staying at the Hotel, breakfast will be on their own both days;
- Refreshments available for attendees at the meetings, morning, afternoon; (coffee, Tea, juice, water)
- Gift bag give-a-ways:
  - Elder Department to contact Executive Office to see about asking LTBB departments/programs for items that can be given away in the gift bags when registering;
    - Approximately 200 gift bags;
  - Tobacco pouches are being made by the Elders Commissioners;
- Auction Items –

- All tribes attending will donate at least one item for the auction;
  - Contact LTBB departments/programs for auction items;
- Table Decorations –
  - Andi Gasco and JoAnn Carey will get something together for the tables;
  - Floating candles;
- Table coverings for the meals that will be held at LTBB Commons Area;

**Meeting adjourned at 6:54 p.m.**

Next scheduled meeting will be held on December 6, 2017.

Approved:

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Debra Smithkey-Browne, Secretary

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